## **CLAIMS**

- 1. A communications system, comprising:
- a data network;
- a monitored terminal coupled to the network for communicating by sending and receiving data over the network;
  - a monitoring terminal for monitoring user activity on the monitored terminal;
  - a graphical proxy server in communication with the monitored terminal and with the monitoring terminal for:
- sending graphical commands to implement a graphical interface on the monitored terminal;

sending graphical commands to the monitoring terminal indicative of actions taken on the monitored terminal.

- The communications system of claim 1 wherein the monitored
  terminal communicates voice signals over the data network using packetized data.
  - 3. The communications system of claim 2 wherein the voice signals are also stored in an audio file.
- 4. The communications system of claim 1 wherein user actions on the monitored terminal are displayed on the monitoring terminal in real-time.
  - 5. The communications system of claim 1 wherein the graphical commands indicative of action taken on the monitored terminal are stored in a file.
- 6. The communications system of claim 5 wherein the graphical25 commands indicative of action taken on the monitored terminal are time stamped.

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- 7. The communications system of claim 1 wherein presence information is sent from the monitored terminal to the graphical proxy server.
- 8. The communications system of claim 7 wherein the monitoring terminal receives presence information from the graphical proxy server.
- 5 9. A method of communicating over a data network, comprising the steps of:

sending graphical commands from a graphical proxy server coupled to the data network to implement a graphical interface on a monitored terminal coupled to the data network;

sending graphical commands to a monitoring terminal coupled to the data network, where the graphical commands are indicative of actions taken on the monitored terminal.

- 10. The method of claim 9 and further comprising the step of communicating voice signals from the monitored terminal over the data network using packetized data.
- 11. The method of claim 10 and further comprising the step of storing the voice signals in an audio file.
- 12. The method of claim 9 and further comprising the step of displaying user actions on the monitoring terminal in real-time.
- 20 13. The method of claim 9 and further comprising the step of storing graphical commands indicative of action taken on the monitored terminal in a file.
  - 14. The method of claim 13 and further comprising the step of timestamping graphical commands indicative of action taken on the monitored terminal.

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- 15. The method of claim 9 and further comprising the step of sending presence information from the monitored terminal to the graphical proxy server.
- 16. The method of claim 15 and further comprising the step of receiving presence information from the graphical proxy server in the monitoring terminal.